

Current Claims Schedule

- 1 1. to 8. (Cancelled)
- 2 9. (New) A method for dispensing a desired minimum amount of a liquid or pourable  
3 substance into a container to fill the container during a filling process, in the course of  
4 which the amount of dispensed substance is measured and the filling process is termi-  
5 nated by the closing of a valve as soon as the amount of dispensed substance has reached  
6 a final value, said method comprising the steps of  
7 dispensing the substance into a first container in a series of several dispensing  
8 steps where in a first dispensing step and at least one subsequent dispensing step, respec-  
9 tively, the valve is closed to interrupt the filling process so as to allow the determination  
10 of the tailing of the substance that occurs during the closing of the valve, and  
11 establishing the final value for terminating a last dispensing step in said series in  
12 consideration of the desired minimum amount of the substance and by factoring-in sev-  
13 eral of the tailings of the substance determined in the preceding dispensing steps during  
14 the closing of the valve.
- 1 10. (New) The method as in claim 9, including the step of establishing the final value  
2 for terminating the last dispensing step in said series by averaging the tailings of the sub-  
3 stance determined in the preceding dispensing steps in the series during the closing of the  
4 valve.
- 1 11. (New) The method as in claim 9 or 10, including the step of, after the first container  
2 has been filled, filling another container in one single dispensing step, with the final value  
3 for terminating said one single dispensing step in filling said additional container being  
4 established in consideration of the desired minimum amount of the substance and by fac-  
5 toring-in a tailing value determined during the filling of the first container.

1 12. (New) The method as in claim 11, including the step of averaging the tailing values  
2 determined during the filling of the first container thereby establishing the final value for  
3 terminating said one single dispensing step in filling said additional container.

1 13. (New) The method as in claim 11, including the step of following the filling of the  
2 first container with a plurality of additional individual container fillings, in each case with  
3 the respective final value for terminating the filling process concerned being established  
4 in consideration of the desired minimum amount of the substance and by factoring-in a  
5 tailing value determined in a preceding filling process.